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In re Application of

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R § 1.116

Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated November 15, 2000, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire February 15, 2001, a petition for two months extension of time up to and including April 15, 2001 being filed concurrently herewith, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the pending rejection for the reasons set forth below.

R E M A R K S

I. **STATUS OF THE APPLICATION**

Claims 1-8 are pending in the application.

Claims 1 and 5 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b).